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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
AMERICAS BULK TRANSPORT LTD.,

Plaintiff,

Defendant.

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MOLINA AFFIDAVIT
PURSUANT TO RULE B(1)
AND IN SUPPORT OF
ORDER APPOINTING
PERSON TO SERVE
PROCESS PURSUANT TO
RULE 4(c) AND
SCOPE OF SERVICE

State of New York) ss.:
County of New York)

VOLCANO SHIPPING S.A.,

-against-

MANUEL A. MOLINA, being duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

- 1. I am a member of the Bar of the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, admitted to practice before this Court and I am an associate of the law firm of Freehill Hogan & Mahar, LLP, attorneys for Plaintiff herein.
- 2. This Affidavit is submitted pursuant to Supplemental Rule B of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (see paragraphs 3-4, below) and in support of Plaintiff's application pursuant to Rule 4(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (see paragraphs 5-9, below).
- 3. Deponent has made an investigation and deponent believes that based upon the results of this investigation, the corporate Defendant VOLCANO SHIPPING S.A. is a corporations or other business entity that cannot be "found" within this District for the purpose NYDOCS1/289771.1

of an attachment under Rule B. In support of this position, deponent has conducted the following investigation:

- (a) Deponent contacted the office of the New York Department of State, Division of Corporations on September 6, 2007, via the official Department of State website at http://www.dos.state.ny.us and conducted a search for the corporate Defendant and the search results indicated that the corporate Defendant is not a New York corporation, nor is it licensed, authorized or registered to do business in the State of New York as either a domestic or international corporation;
- (b) Deponent consulted with Directory Assistance for New York on September 6, 2007 for area codes (212), (347), (718), (917) and (646) and no listing for the corporate Defendant, was located;
- (c) Deponent, on September 6, 2007, reviewed the Journal of Commerce (Business Directory) Transportation Telephone Tickler, 2007 Edition (Vol. 1 New York Metropolitan Area) and no listing was found for the corporate Defendant;
- (d) Deponent accessed, on September 6, 2007, through MSN and Yahoo! Search engines the yellow pages telephone directory database and found no listings in that database for any offices or agents of the corporate Defendant within this district;
- (e) Deponent is unaware of any general or managing agent(s) within this District for the corporate Defendant.
- 4. Based upon the foregoing, your deponent submits that the corporate Defendant cannot be "found" within this District for the purpose of an attachment pursuant to Rule B and seeks an order of attachment against such tangible and intangible property of the Defendant as may be found within this District up to and including the amount of the claim as specified in the

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Verified Complaint.

- 5. Plaintiff also applies, pursuant to Rule 4(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, for an Order appointing myself, Barbara G. Carnevale, Pamela Schultz, Robert Ridenour, Joan Sorrentino, Christina Gargano, or any other partner, associate, paralegal or other agent of Freehill Hogan & Mahar LLP, in addition to the United States Marshal, to serve the Process of Attachment and Garnishment issued pursuant to FRCP Supplemental Rule B upon the named garnishee(s) as well as any other garnishee(s) who (based upon information developed subsequent hereto) may hold assets of, for, or on behalf of the Defendant.
- 6. Plaintiff is desirous of serving the Process of Attachment and Garnishment on the garnishee(s) with all deliberate speed so that it will be fully protected against the possibility of not being able to satisfy a judgment that may ultimately be entered by Plaintiff against the Defendant.
- 7. To the extent this application for an Order appointing a special process server with respect to this attachment and garnishment does not involve a restraint of physical property, there is no need to require that the service be effected by the Marshal as it simply involves delivery of the process to the respective garnishee(s).
- 8. Plaintiff also requests that the Court grant it leave to serve any additional garnishee(s) who may be discovered in the course of this litigation to be holding property of the Defendant within this District. By obtaining leave at this time to serve these other possible garnishees, it will facilitate prompt service of the Process without the need to return to the Court for permission to amend the process simply to name other garnishees.
- 9. In addition, and to avoid the need to repetitively serve the garnishees/banking institutions, Plaintiff respectfully seeks leave, as embodied in the accompanying order, for any

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process served on a garnishee to be deemed to be effective and continuous throughout the remainder of the day upon which such service is made commencing from the time of such service, and that same service is further deemed to be effective through the end of the next business day provided another service is made during the next business day; to authorize service by facsimile transmission or other verifiable electronic means, including e-mail, to each garnishee so personally served, such service to be in accordance with each garnishee's preference or policy; and to deem such facsimile or other electronic transmission as being accomplished within this district if it has been sent from within the district.

Manuel A. Molina

Sworn to before me this 12th day of September, 2007

Notary Public

HAZEL S. ROSENTHAL
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01RO4641178
Qualified in Queens County
Certified in New York County
Commission Expires Dec. 31, 2010